## Minutes

## Of

## The Foxboro Water and Sewer Commissioners October 25, 2011

Members in Attendance: Chairman - Bill Euerle; Vice Chairman - Mike Stanton; Clerk - Richard Pacella; Superintendant - Leo Potter; Bob Garber, Jeff Anderson - Advisory Committee

The meeting was opened at 7:00 PM in the Water Department office.

The Board approved invoice #16 in the amount of \$3000.00 for the Interim Superintendant on a vote 3-0.

Leo updated the board on the Payson Road water main replacement: pipe is nearly all in place but the digging has been much more difficult than anticipated and a major amount of material removed from the trench has been unsuitable for backfill because of many oversized rocks. Contractor has had to bring in appropriate backfill material, and wants payment for that extra cost. Leo has provided some material (approx \$6000 worth from W&S department) to assist and keep the job going, but the contractor can obtain material cheaper than can the W&S department. Bidding documents did not have wording to approve such payment – which should have been there. Bob Swanson, Leo, and Kevin Paicos have reviewed and recommend payment. The contractor will be compensated \$8.25/ton for the imported gravel with quantities to be approved by appropriate means of measurement (gravel vendor's weight slips). Motion to approve payment for backfill material to replace unsuitable excavated material approved 3-0.

The problem of lack of suitable funding for purchase of capacity for approximately 350,000 GPD of sewage flow to the expanded MFN POTW was discussed. The burden of purchase of that flow (approximately \$9 million) coupled with the cost of expanding the major infrastructure to sewer additional residential areas in town appears to be insurmountable. Board agreed to explore a variety of options:

- letting interested parties who can connect to the existing system purchase flow,
- move to direct funding from signage toward purchase of sewer capacity,
- approach other town boards (BOS and Planning, Schools) to determine if these boards would recommend that Town of Foxboro purchase flow for future use from tax base,

and to discuss these proposals informally among interested parties to determine if these or other options would result in viable funding (and at what level) for purchase of flow at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

These minutes of October 25, 2011 were approved as amended on November 21, 2011.

Richard Pacella, Clerk